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plate blocks and pay a premium for them. In your mind you have ceased to be a collector. For a temporary period you may wish to be a dealer, just long enough to sell your collection.

What do we do now? Perhaps if we would sit down and think this way clearly, maybe we would come up with a better answer than what usually happens in cases of this sort. It is impossible to put all collections into the same light of value, for much depends on how large your collection is, how far back it goes, how many issues it contains that have since gone up much in value, how carefully you selected your material when you were collecting the plate blocks, and how neatly and carefully it was mounted. All of these things still add up to one side of the question.

The other side is, who could use and would want to buy your entire collection? In trying to sell these you wish to assume the temporary role of a dealer, but in doing so you must, at the same time, adopt the characteristics of the dealer. Now, if you were a dealer will you try to dispose of your material part at a time? Will you try to sell to collectors only that which each individual needs or wants? In most cases, the immediate response is "no". Most collectors wish to sell their collection complete and intact. Therefore you now begin to make a radical departure from the role of a dealer, for he will sell one plate block, ten, or 100, depending entirely on the wants of his customers.

Do you remember when you were a collector and you came into the stamp dealer's store, when you wanted a specific plate block, you would not compromise for anything else, even when offered to you at a lower price? Now the shoe is on the other foot. Are you ready to accept your responsibility as a seller and try to provide only what is asked of you? If not, then you have only one option left. Your collection, if it must be sold complete and intact, can only net you the best price you can get from any collector, or dealer, depending entirely on their ability to use all the material you have for sale.

Plate blocks are bought by collectors for pleasure and they are stocked by dealers for business purposes. The stock a dealer maintains is his investment. If he does not sell them, they could be a loss of both investment, as well as cost of overhead. The dealer needs the

same manner, you wouldn't think of trying to sell plate blocks, at a premium, to any collector or dealer who does not handle or doesn't know anything about plate blocks. If you can understand that just as you would try to resell the brand new car, television set, or any other household appliance, you find that it has taken on a depreciated value when you wish to resell the same article to the dealer, it's likewise with stamps and plate blocks.

The only way and the most you can get out of your collection is to find another collector who is equally enthused about plate blocks and who would buy your collection from you if it were made slightly more attractive in price over that from a dealer.

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The next four editions of a special nature are as follows:

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September 26—Bureau Issues Association.

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The safety, speed and sureness in the delivery of the U.S. mail will be improved if the users of the mails follow ten basic postal pointers outlined by Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield.

"The users of the mails can help themselves get better mail service by following these ten suggestions", Mr. Summerfield said. "I feel certain the American people will cooperate with the Post Office Department in this mutual effort to provide the best mail service possible".

1. Address mail fully and clearly. Write legibly or print plainly. Where applicable, use zone numbers. Avoid using abbreviations which might confuse mail handlers.

2. Always use a return address in the upper left hand corner of both letters and packages. When you do so, you prevent undelivered mail going to the 'dead letter' office.

3. Do not enclose coins or hard objects of any kind in letters, without marking the envelope for hand stamping. High speed cancelling machines cannot process such letters, often jam and damage letters.

4. Do not mail cash. For safety's sake, use Postal Money Orders or checks.

5. Make certain parcels are well packed and securely wrapped. Enclose a card with your return address and recipients address. This precaution permits delivery of your package if the wrapper is damaged.

6. Double check to make sure your mail has the correct amount of postage. "Postage Due" delays letters and disappoints recipients.

7. To speed letters through cancelling machines, be sure stamps are in upper right hand corner.

8. Insure parcels. Register letters of real value. Use Certified Mail for letters of no intrinsic value where only proof of delivery is required.

9. Mail early and often. Earlier mailings mean earlier deliveries because your letters or other mail catch earlier trains, planes or other transporters of mail. Large mailers should separate mail into local and out of town bundles.

10. Make sure your correspondents have your correct address. Always use zone numbers, where applicable. Be certain your correspondents are notified of any change of address.

"Every postal employee", Mr. Summerfield emphasized, "is happy to answer questions on postal rules and regulations. Their years of experience in postal service make them experts in solving postal problems. I suggest that anyone having problems about postage rates or postal matters see his local postmaster."

Northwest Federation Gathering To Yakima

At the convention of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs recently the 1956 session was awarded to Yakima, Wash. where the Yakima Valley Stamp Club will be hosts.

Fred E. Carver of Yakima was named to two important posts in the Federation, president and executive secretary. His address is 1509 Summitview Ave., Yakima, Wash.

Other officers are vice president Donald A. Davis, Eugene, Ore.; treasurer Mrs. W. H. Young, Bellingham, Wash.

In the Federation are stamp clubs of Washington, Oregon and British Columbia.

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A.P.S. Offers Fishing Trip

A Pre-Convention Gulf Stream big game fishing trip has been arranged for delegates to the 69th American Philatelic Society Convention in Norfolk, Virginia. It is a four day affair leaving The Monocle, the Convention Hotel, at 2:00 P.M., Thursday, September 15, 1955. The sponsoring group is the Cosmopolitan Club of Norfolk and this will be their second trip to the Outer Banks of North Carolina to Hatteras which is in behind the great Cape Hatteras.

A large variety of fish are guaranteed to be caught either in the Gulf Stream itself or on the various fishing grounds around Diamond Shoals where so many ships have gone to their graves in storms. The fish to be caught are marlin, sailfish, amberjack, dolphin, king mackerel, blue fish and many others. It is the time of season when the large channel bass or drum will be returning from their unknown summer haunts in the northern part of the Atlantic Ocean and they come near Hatteras for feeding on the smaller fish which breed around and inhabit the waters of Pamlico Sound.

Of course we could not fail to mention that an expedition is being planned to salvage the famous Civil War U.S. warship the Monitor, which is said to have foundered on Diamond Shoals near the place where we will fish. We know delegates will wish to see the site where the duel between ironclads during the Civil War occurred in the harbor. Other events will be the issuance of the 30c U.S. Robert E. Lee Stamp, visits to historical shrines and a post Convention Cruise to Nassau and Havana.

Cost of the fishing trip to Hatteras, N.C., will be nominal. Delegates to the Convention should

notify A.P.S. Headquarters, 906 National Bank of Commerce Building, Norfolk 10, Va., in advance so that ample boats may be provided.

Write to Convention Headquarters for reservations on this wonderful fishing trip.

B.N.A.P. Society Annual Cachet

The 7th Annual Convention of the British North America Philatelic Society will be held at the Statler Hotel in Hartford, Connecticut on Sept. 29 to October 1. To honor this occasion a special cachet will be issued.

The cachet will illustrate the outlying map of Connecticut showing Hartford and the original Charter Oak Tree. At the top will be the Peace Bridge connecting the United States and Canada at Niagara Falls. It will show the shields of the U.S. and Canada as well as the maple leaf with a Beaver. It will also show the early delivery of mail when the Charter Oak tree was used as a hiding place for letters carried by the Pony Express Riders.

The cancellation will read "British North America Philatelic Society Convention Station, Hartford, Connecticut".

Anyone desiring cachet envelopes may place their orders with Oren B. Maxim, Box 1505, Waterbury, Conn. The price will be 10c each and will include the 1935 Connecticut commemorative stamp as long as supplies last.

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901	3c Defense	.55	.22	.06
902	3c Emancipation	1.35	.42	.11
903	2c Vermont	.75	.38	.10
904	3c Kentucky	.60	.22	.06
905	3c Victory	.25	.17	.06
906	5c China	3.50	.85	.13
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908	1c 4 Freedoms	.26	.08	.02
910	5c Poland	1.55	.58	.14
911	5c Czechoslovakia	.55	.22	.07
912	5c Norway	.40	.18	.07
913	5c Luxembourg	.38	.13	.07
914	5c Netherlands	.40	.13	.07
915	5c Belgium	.38	.13	.07
916	5c France	.38	.13	.07
917	5c Greece	1.05	.45	.12
918	5c Yugoslavia	.80	.40	.10
919	5c Albania	.90	.45	.12
920	5c Austria	.75	.35	.09
921	5c Denmark	.85	.45	.12
922	5c Korea	1.80	.55	.12
923	5c Railroad	.38	.20	.06
924	5c Steamship	.36	.18	.05
925	5c Telegraph	.40	.18	.05
926	5c Telegraph Picture	.68	.23	.06
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The new president announced that plans for the coming year include a small monthly bulletin, a philatelic library service, auctions, and a translation and expertization service for members. In addition, the group's new issue service and lectures on Israel and Palestine philately will be continued.

The Chicago Group of IPPSA

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Geared For Production

It is remarkable how little the average man who spends money for advertising knows about the production of that advertising in a paper such as this.

We recently had a call from a dealer who asked us about getting some cuts of stamps or other items to include in his advertising.



GEORGE W. LINN

have a general knowledge of stamps and therefore is more qualified to handle the correction of same. He frequently has to rewrite an entire piece of copy before sending it to the linotypers. He also lays out the advertisements so as to give it as much display and eye appeal as the limited space will allow. Through close cooperation between Mr. Turley and the compositor and the markup man and the linotype operator then we have a close-knit organization that will give the best available, limited by the space requested.

Next we have a girl that handles our mail and accounts. We prefer that all mail be addressed to the Company or to Linn's Weekly rather than to individuals. If mail is addressed to individuals it is apt to be delayed or relayed to the home of that individual. Thus, cutting down the efficiency that you might come to expect. This one girl opens ALL mail that comes to our office and then distributes it to those whose business it is to care for it in a proper manner.

We also have a girl that takes care of all classified matters as this department has grown so much in the last year or two that one full time girl is required to work on it completely under the direction of Mr. Turley.

We have a clerk that handles all merchandise orders and assists in other tasks about the office besides three other girls who keep your subscription file correct. They have charge of nearly 47,000 names on cards and they cut the stencil name plates on an IBM machine for the mailing room.

Thus all we do in the office is to receive mail, prepare the copy for the paper, prepare the advertising copy and cut the stencils and keep a card on subscriptions. Yours truly, of course, writes the Editorial matter from Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida. Only matters pertaining directly to myself or features that might be basis for editorial matters should be directed to me. Anything that pertains to any part of the office should be so directed to that office.

The rest of the work is done in the office of the Sidney Daily News in whose building we are also located. They set the type, make stereotype curved, or rather cylindrical plates, and then put these on a rotary press that prints from a roll and can print anything from 4 to 32 pages at once and turns out over 25,000 paper per hour. After printing, the papers are addressed, wrapped and mailed from their mailing room from stencils furnished by us.

No other paper can furnish or supply such perfect production.

Display Your Advertising

On the same floor of the building on which our offices are located is the engraving plant. We can take your photos or pictures or stamps and give them to the engraver today and have them ready to run in the paper by tomorrow, if need be, a 24 hour service. Dealers who use halftone cuts frequently send us their own cuts. These should not be mounted as we mount them on lead base and can not use wood as they are sometimes mounted for us. This will help to cut your costs when having your cuts made if you will remember that. We use only sinc cuts because they are cheaper and are just as satisfactory as copper halftones. We prefer a cut of 65 line screen. Most who send us cuts send 120 or finer screen which is only good in most slick magazines. Newspaper being coarser finish requires a coarser screen. Fine cuts do not print well in newspapers, so order cuts as we specify and you will get them cheaper; or, send us your pictures and let us get your cuts for you and charge you for them and we will save you still more money.

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1065—Land Grant Colleges 3c, East Lansing, Mich. February 12.

1066—Rotary 3c, Chicago, Ill. February 23.

1067—Armed Forces Reserve 3c, Washington, D. C. May 21.

FA-1—Certified Mail 15c Washington, D. C. June 6.

1068—Stone Face 3c, Franconia, N.H. June 21.

1069—Soo Locks 3c, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. June 28.

1070—Atoms for Peace, Washington, D.C., July 28.

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A column or so ago, the Scott Catalog numbers for the Liberty Series were printed and since that time a number of requests have come here wanting to know about the numbers 1052 through 1059. The 3c Liberty coil is No. 1051 and the Nebraska commem is No. 1060.

My guess is that Scott Publications will close this gap by changing the numbers of the stamps following the Liberties. Such adjustments have been made before and are not unusual. If such is done, then the Nebraska might become No. 1052 and the ones after it advanced accordingly.

When the Liberties were announced as forthcoming months ago it was expected that the Post Office Department would have the same kind of coil stamps as the Presidents had. That would have used up these eight leftover numbers. We would then have had coils of 4c, 5c, 6c and 10c perfed vertically, and 1c, 1½c, 2c and 3c perfed horizontally.

It was never expected that the 4½c Prexy value would ever be continued as a denomination in the regular postage series so no place was allowed for it.

1. In the last five years a commem was issued for a man whose given names were Marie Jean Paul Yves Roch Gilbert du Motier. What was the rest of his name?

2. Also in the last five years appeared a man on a commem part of whose name was Antoine de la Mothe. Who was it?

In the August 8 U. S. Notes I gave a short historical background of Ft. Ticonderoga for which a stamp is to be issued September 18. This seemed to please a number of readers who now want a capsule resume about the man who made this military strongpoint historically important to us Americans. This was Ethan Allen.

It will come as quite a shock to some to know that he was considered an outlaw by the governor of New York who placed a price of £150 on his head, and who considered the Green Mountain Boys of Revolutionary War fame in the nature of later day Ku Kluxers.

Allen was born at Litchfield, Conn. in 1737 and about 1769 moved to Vermont. He settled first at Bennington where he became conspicuous in the contest between the New Hampshire and New York for jurisdiction over the "New Hampshire Grants", now Vermont.

He represented his fellow settlers in a suit at Albany in 1771, but their claims being disregarded, he organized a force of Green Mountain Boys for the eviction of New York settlers. Governor Tryon of New York thereupon declared him an outlaw and offered £150 for his arrest.

At the outbreak of the Revolution Allen and his associates offered their services to the patriot party and organized an expedition against Ticonderoga. On the morning of May 10, 1775 he surprised the garrison, and forced its commander to surrender "in the name of the great Jehovah and the Continental Congress".

Allen soon afterwards joined General Schuyler's army, was employed in secret missions to Canada, and rendered valuable aid in Montgomery's expedition. He was taken prisoner September 25, 1775 near Montreal and was sent to England.

Some months later he was sent back to this country and was kept as a prisoner at Halifax and New York until May 3, 1778, when he was exchanged. After his release Allen returned to Vermont, was brevetted Lt. Colonel by the Continental Congress and became Brigadier General of Vermont militia, though he devoted his attention chiefly to the old territorial dispute, and incidentally carried on a correspondence with Governor Haldimand of Canada, upon which a charge of treason was subsequently based.

No satisfactory explanation has ever been given of his conduct, but the charge of treason is at least not fully substantiated.

He moved to Burlington in 1787 and died there in 1789. Though a blusterer, he was as full of action as he was of talk and had very

great ability as a leader both in politics and in war.

Allen wrote "A Narrative of Col. Ethan Allen's Captivity" (1779); "Vindication of the Opposition of Vermont to the Government of New York" (1779); and "Reason the Only Oracle of Man, or a Compendious System of Natural Religion" (1784).

Dr. Lionel M. Lieberman of Hampton, Va. commenting on the remarks made here August 1 brought up another interesting point, but in the process misunderstood the idea I presented.

Mentioned was the fact that some persons now and again affix a Christmas Seal, some other label, or some obsolete, phony or low-valued foreign stamp on an envelope where the U. S. stamp is supposed to go and then mail it in a U. S. post office.

The clerks don't always catch such items. When they do, they can send them on to a postal inspector who will investigate and if possible charge the sender with attempting to defraud the government of a 3c postage fee. It's a small sum but the POD won't stand for any such shenanigans.

Dr. Lieberman brings out the fact that it is possible that letters can be sent through U. S. post offices, get a U. S. cancel, and bear foreign stamps for the postage fee. He cites the receiving of mail from a relative in Israel via a consular pouch which bore Israeli stamps, was postmarked in this country, and delivered to him in Hampton, Va.

Most collectors I believe know of that kind of arrangement. But don't try the other stunt which will bring you trouble.

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Most of the British Dominions and Colonies have issued stamps that picture various types of ships. However, Great Britain, once the supreme maritime nation, has never issued a stamp showing one!

The only connection of Great Britain with maritime legend are dolphins under the head of King George V, and the anchor watermarks between 1875 and 1883. At the other extreme the stamps of United States take every opportunity to illustrate the maritime history.



From United States stamps are recorded the exploring voyages of the Norse Vikings, the discoveries of Columbus, Hudson and other navigators, the launching of America's first steamboat, the building of the Panama Canal and finally the types of vessels in use as ocean liners, lake and river steamers, or as mail boats and tenders.

The oldest form of sea-going vessel known to have existed is illustrated on a Liberian issue (Scott #190). Archaeologists have discovered that the first type of boat is represented in a terra-cotta model excavated in Egypt and known to have been made about 5000 B.C. It is almost identical in shape and design with many of the dug-out canoes in common use today among the tribes of West Africa. These natives make their canoes exactly as the Egyptians did 2000 years ago, by taking a straight tree trunk and burning or chopping it out into a hollowed boat shape.



Interesting representation and drawings of the ships of the early dynasty of Egypt are to be found. The Egyptian set (Scott #118-120) shows an early ship under oar and sail power. It is copied from a mural picture in the temple of Deir-el-Bahari, which dates about 1500 B.C.

A line that rises from near the bow and passes along to the stern above the heads of the rowers represents a heavy rope supported on crutches and was designed to relieve longitudinal strain and to prevent the ends of the vessel from dropping or "hogging".

In the illustration of the ancient Egyptian ship it would seem that the ship is sailing with the wind at right angle to the vessel's course. It is certain, however, that such a ship of shallow draught, and with a single mast stepped amidship, could never have made a foot of headway. The explanation of the sail's position in the illustration is simply the convention of old Egyptian art by which perspective was evaded. The artist drew every detail in one di-

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A square sail of this type could be used only with the wind well astern and not at all with the wind broadside on or a little ahead. It came to be displaced in Egypt and the Mediterranean by the fore and aft felucca or other rig of a high pointed triangular lateen sail (Egypt #50) a type that is common on the River Nile today. A theory exists that the lateen sail was introduced by the Arab, to whom it had come by way of the East Indies, India and Persia from the Pacific Islands.

On the Sudanese stamp (Scott #J5) although the main subject is an armored river steamer, there is also a native boat with a sail that closely resembles the wide spread square sail of 4000 year old craft. One corner is hauled down to the deck and the other points high up in the air. The position of the mast has been shifted to make better use of the fore and aft trimming.



A commemorative stamp of New Zealand (Scott #122) illustrates the traditional story of the arrival of the canoe Te Arawa and ten companion ships after a voyage of about 2000 miles from the Cook and Society Islands. Details of the voyage have been handed down by tradition, and it can be taken that the illustration of the canoe and her rig is accurate. The Te Arawa was the most famous of the canoes that tradition says brought the Maoris to their islands. The date of this canoe was about A.D. 1300, but there are records of others that date nearly a thousand years earlier.

It is probable, therefore, that the fore and aft sail was in use in the Pacific from the earliest times, and that the Islanders were enabled by it to make long journeys with prevailing trade winds strong on the beam, this literally thousands of years before the European mariner would risk dropping off the rim of the horizon.

It was the inclusion of the fore and aft sails that made possible the ocean voyages of Columbus and his contemporary navigators, because without it their clumsy, full bodied craft could never have voyaged across the Atlantic and back. (Scott U. S. #232).

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Cachets For New H. P. O. Route

Highway Post Office Service will be inaugurated between Aberdeen, South Dakota, and Sioux City, Iowa, on or shortly after August 31, 1955.

The initial trip from Aberdeen will be designated Trip 1 and the initial trip from Sioux City will be designated Trip 2.

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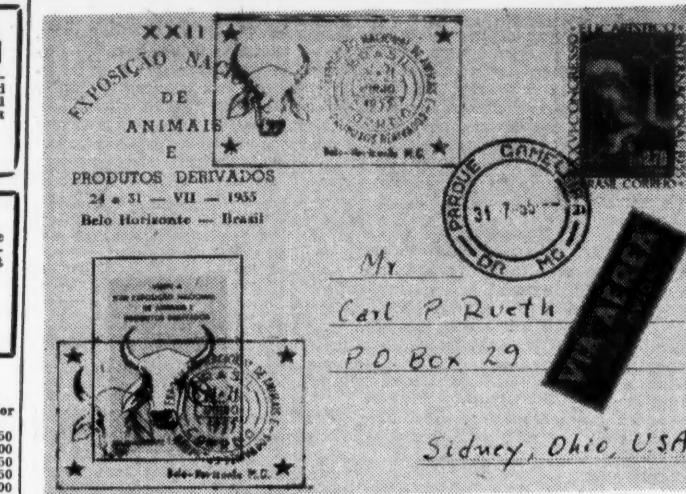
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BULL HEAD IN CANCELLATION. From July 24 to 31 the 22nd National Exposition of Livestock, and their Derivative Products, was held at Belo Horizonte in Brazil's state of Minas Gerais. A special postmark was applied to mail it showing the head of an ox and having appropriate wording in the circular cancel. The entire scheme was enclosed in a rectangle with four stars in the four inner corners. The cover was sent by A. P. Mello, R. Pouso Alegre 644, Belo Horizonte, M.G., Brazil.

In World War II he was selected as one of the 42 U. S. artists assigned as war correspondents to travel to active war theatres. His long list of Art Director Club awards dates almost yearly from 1946.

Willi Wolf Wind was born in Germany, and worked as a commercial artist in Berlin until he settled in Israel in 1934. There, he became a founder and chief designer of an advertising agency, and since 1950 he has designed many Israeli postage stamps. In 1952 he was awarded first prize in the International Competition for UN postage stamp designs held by the United Nations Postal Administration. In 1954 Mr. Wind emigrated to the United States, where he continues to work as a commercial designer.

Hubert Woyt-Wimmer, now a designer and engraver in a London company, was born in Austria. He studied etching and engraving at the School of Graphic Arts in Vienna, as a pupil of Prof. Alfred Gossman. He is a member of the Austrian Kunstlerhaus, and was awarded their Gold Medal in 1947. Among his many stamp designs are three for United Nations postage stamps—the 20c stamp of the first regular issue, the 1952 Human Rights Day stamp, and the Universal Postal Union stamp of 1953.

Under this plan, the UN Postal Administration states, it is hoped that the standard of stamp design will not only be maintained but improved. A further aim is to assure the international character of UN postage stamps.

Brief biographies of the artists chosen follow:

Mrs. Dahl Collings was born in Adelaide, South Australia. She is an established artist in the commercial field, having worked on magazine illustration, posters and murals, and as fashion artist and designer. She has traveled extensively, and in 1950-1953 was design consultant to the Australian Government Trade Commission in charge of its Display Center at Rockefeller Center, New York. She is married; her husband is engaged in film-making; and they have two teen-age daughters.

Leon Helguera was born in Mexico, and worked as a cartoonist and illustrator for several Mexican publications before coming to the United States. In 1943, his design for a stamp honoring the United Nations was chosen by the U. S. Post Office Department in a contest among leading American artists. Since then he has designed several U. S. and Mexican stamps. The UN 1½c and 50c stamps of the first regular issue and the Human Rights Day issue of 1953 were designed by Mr. Helguera.

Jean Picart le Doux is a well known French artist, commercial designer and muralist, who also decorated the interior of the French ship "La Marseillaise." He is particularly renowned for his tapestries, which have been exhibited in many countries and purchased by museums throughout the world. His "La Cage Ouvrée" may be seen at the Museum of Art of the University of Kansas.

David Stone Martin is an established artist, commercial designer and story illustrator in the United States. Born in Chicago, his first important art opportunity came in 1933 when he was asked to do murals and display designs for the Century of Progress Exposition.

THE BULLETIN BOARD

The Nebraska News bulletin of the Nebraska Precancel Club was mailed from Polk, Nebraska. The Golden Gate bulletin was mailed from Aptos, Calif. (2c Lib.). The

Phila-Quad bulletin of the Quad City Stamp Club was mailed from Rock Island, Ill. with ½c and 1½c Prexies in a little used rubber hand-stamp type. The Quad City Club is a regular stamp group but has many precancel collectors in its ranks. I would like some Illinois specialist to pass on the precancels they used as they look like the old time provisional type. The Buckeye for August was mailed from Columbus Ohio with city type coils in the U-87 type. Addresses for the above will be given for return postage, (no stamps).

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AUSTRIA. To celebrate the reopening of the Vienna State Opera and the Vienna Burgtheater two stamps were issued on July 20. The values are 1.50s sepia brown and 2.40s light blue.

HUNGARY. The various industries of Hungary are depicted on a new seven value set of stamps issued on June 25. The values are 20f green, women at a machine; 40f brown, trainman; 60f deep red, postman; 80f lavender, women at a loom; 1Ft blue, man drilling; 2Ft maroon, man with machine; 10Ft purple, miner.

Also on June 25 a 1Ft purple stamp was issued showing a statue of a man on horseback blowing a posthorn.

ISRAEL. Four stamps showing musicians and musical instruments of Biblical times will be issued during August to honor the Jewish New Year 5716. The values are 25 pruta green and brown, timbrel and cymbal; 60pr gray and orange, ram's horn; 120pr blue and yellow, tuba; and 250 pr brown and brick red, harp. The four stamps were designed by Miriam Karoly.

JAPAN. A 5 yen stamp showing the Bentenzaki Peninsula and a 10 yen stamp showing the Jodogahama Beach will be issued the latter part of August. A souvenir sheet will also be issued.

KOREA (North). To commemorate the 7th anniversary of the founding of the "Korean People's Army," a 10wn dull orange stamp was issued early in February 1955. A soldier holding a rifle is the design.

For May Day, on May 1, a 10wn emerald stamp, and a 10wn deep brown were issued. The first shows a young man with a blueprint in his hand; the second shows three laborers marching.

For the 9th anniversary of the Proclamation of the Labor Act a 10wn carmine stamp was issued during May.

SPANISH GUINEA. On July 19 a 10pts airmail stamp was issued. The stamp features the sport of soccer for its design.

VATICAN. It is reported that a Parcel Post issue of rather high face value will be issued during 1955. Designs and denominations have not been released as yet.

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Australia is suffering from quite a stamp shortage. Importations through free trade have been banned for many years, so things come in readily only through barter as was the case in England during the war and after. There has, inevitably, been a draining off of good stuff to Europe and the U.S.A. and a coming in of huge quantities of "Iron Curtain" country issues.

There are also plenty of those speculative Herm and Lundy locals and unrecognized Indonesian and other foreign-wholesaler-sponsored emissions. Just try to buy good old Europeans, U.S.A., Australian States issues, etc.—there is virtually nothing to be had. Which doesn't of course, mean that there are no good items in the country, but they're in collections, not in stockbooks, and the owners regard them as sounder than government bonds.

The United Kingdom's oldest stamp paper is The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, a quarterly which will soon celebrate its 65th birthday. Mighty few hobby journals have a life nearly so long, and it must have "had something" all these years that its contemporaries lacked. It has long been published by P. L. Pemberton and Son, Ltd. of Leominster, England.

Ran through a parcel of some 80,000 used Kenya recently. They'd been gathered by a mission, and all denominations were well represented. The most striking thing about the lot was that fully three-fourths of the copies were heavily cancelled, often with parts of two and even three postmarks showing. Ink and elbow grease must be equally cheap in this Crown Colony!

Obviously decently used Kenyas are desirable property and should command a substantial premium over run of mill copies. To head off half a dozen questions re what I did with these—the decent copies were made up into sets and over 50,000 were burned so that they would never disfigure the albums of juveniles who might have gotten them via the "unpicked mixture" (ha ha, was there ever really such a thing?) route or in a gift packet.

What with the recent dispersal of the famous Waterhouse U.S.A. collection at record auction prices totalling £35,000, British dealers are sending out hundreds of "ex-Waterhouse" items to their better approval clients. Lots of collectors like to have association pieces in their albums and professionals handling choice materials from celebrated collections will gladly sign them certifying their past famous ownership.

A batch of St. Lucia Steam Conveyance stamp reprints showed up in an old London stock recently. These items, written up in Melville's Phantom Philately, have been mighty hard to get for more than a generation and at 1 shilling 6 pence the set of three, the current London price, they're going like hotcakes. Sorry I can't tell you where to get them—it would obviously be unfair to single out any one of the 40 or 50 dealers currently offering them in British stamp papers.

One reason so many collectors subscribe to foreign stamp journals as well as U.S.A. ones is that dealers overseas, week in week out advertise innumerable items never put before collectors on this side.

Some 20 of the German China 1900 Tientsin provisionals, hand-stamped overprint, have been offered in dealer ads and pricelists and at auction during the past year.

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H. V. C. Adams, the 82-year British collector who lost his life in an automobile accident a few days back, was one of the few remaining old type philatelists with many collections and a vast store of knowledge respecting each. In London some time back we saw his Great Britain, New Brunswick and Nova Scotian collections. It took several evenings and we never did get to the Italian States, Greece, etc. volumes.

Mr. Adams bought fabulous material through a long life, incidentally getting most of it at a time when prices were a fraction of what they are today, and most collectors simply have no concept of what such accumulations, running endless volumes per country, contain. There'll certainly be a mad scramble for gems if these celebrated collections reach the market.

Remember that much-mooted Southern Rhodesia 4d Postage Due error of color for which some folks were asking up to \$25? A little lot has turned up at wholesale (\$5 each), so it will probably stabilize at double that retail. All of which shows that it often (indeed generally) doesn't pay to rush in when novelties of certain types come along. They generally settle down at a fraction of the rushtime price, particularly if, as with the much ballyhooed British Colonial watermark errors, leading catalogs such as Scott can't be bothered listing them for the good and sufficient reason that almost nobody cares.

As usual, the Gibbons catalogue will be the first of the new season catalogs to appear. Volume III for 1956, the first to appear (America, Asia and Africa) is now in press and deliveries have been promised for mid-August. Vvert in three volumes will follow in September and after that there'll be the rush, sure enough. As always the 1956 books will be bulkier than ever but apparently there will be no drastic increases in the prices of volumes. Every time catalog prices go up, sales go down, so the publishers absorb increased manufacturing costs as long as they can. Annual catalogs will certainly go out before long, being replaced by permanent handbooks and periodic lists of prices.

One of the major functions of the Israel Stamp Dealers Association is to combat forgeries both of stamps and postmarks menacing the gilt edge security position of this popular country's issues.

In collecting the 1946 Australian B.C.O.F. overprints be sure that you get the two varieties of the 5 shilling stamp—both the thin and the thick papers.

The 1954 Queen Elizabeth Nyasaland ½d 2d and 6d in combination perfins come both in sheets with bottom margins perforated and with bottom margins imperforate.

Considerable supplies of sets of 12 India overprinted for use in Korea on cover, have reached the London wholesale market.

Complete sets of Canadian stamps with "G" overprints in mint blocks of four are currently bringing £50 in London.

Quantas, the Australian airline which has expanded so spectacularly during the past year and now affords world wide service, recently got out an eye-catching poster to be seen in innumerable travel offices. It's a very simple one, as all successful posters are, simply announcing that Quantas currently serves 26 countries. The 26 in question are indicated by enormously enlarged colored reproductions of current showy stamps, one from each, including the U.S.A. 80c airmail.

That must turn the Secret Service lads topsy turvy, and I'll bet that there are none of these posters on display in the U.S.A.! One of them would make a most colorful stamp den decoration but I don't suppose many of us Americans will ever lay hands on one.

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Interested in early Indian cancellations? Jal Cooper of Bombay, who is India's leading dealer, has a huge stock classified by types postmarks and serves most specialists in the field.

While the scarce New Zealand 1939 pictorial 2 shilling green perforated 13½ x 14 sells for only \$2 used, unused copies command about \$55. You see, none were distributed by new issue services as the variety popped up unexpectedly long after normal distributions were made, so most of the copies known have been found in used stock.

Few U.S.A. dealers know of this variety and, with sharp eyes, you can now and then pick up a few copies at the few cents per, asked for the ordinary kind. They make excellent barter stock if like so many collectors you have relations with British fans. They take greater interest in perforations than we do.

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They are fairly expensive but all specialists want them. Incidentally, Mr. Dias also offers the Indian Government's 1954 album of facsimiles issued by the Indian Posts and Telegraph Department on the occasion of the recent philatelic exhibition in New Delhi.

A. H. Babbage of Appila, South Australia wholesales Australian Commonwealths per 12 right from the first Row through to yesterday's commem.

I located one dealer in Perth, A. Guthrie, who has a nice lot of recent British Colonials. There was a choice group of perf varieties and imprint blocks in a George VI collection but I didn't acquire them as the collection was up as an integral unit and I wanted only some of the material. One often misses out on nice things in that way.

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30c LEE DEBUT
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19. 1807. His father was "Light Horse Harry" Lee, a distinguished cavalry leader in the Revolution; his mother Anna Hall Carter. In 1811 the family moved to Alexandria in Fairfax County.

Very early in life he resolved on a military career, studied to that end at Alexandria Academy and entered West Point in 1825 on an appointment secured for him by General Andrew Jackson. Through diligence and ability he graduated second in his class in 1829.

From this time until 1834 he was in the Engineer Corps with the rank of 2nd Lieutenant. In 1831 he married Mary Parke Custis, the great granddaughter of Martha Washington. In 1834 he became assistant to the chief engineer of the army in Washington. Three years later he superintended the construction of the works to protect St. Louis from the erosion of the Mississippi, and in 1842 he took charge of the defenses in New York harbor where he remained until the outbreak of the Mexican War in 1846. In 1838 he had been made a captain.

In the Mexican War he was first with General Wood, for whom he did excellent scouting. Transferred at the personal request of General Scott to the army before Vera Cruz, he arranged the batteries so that the town was reduced in a week.

After each of the battles of Cerro Gordo, Churubusco, and Chapultepec he received promotion earned by remarkable feats of physical and moral courage, and for his services in the last was brevetted colonel.

He was engaged in engineering work in the city of Mexico and at the close of the war General Scott pronounced him the "greatest living soldier in America."

For the next three years he was engaged in strengthening the defenses of Baltimore from an attack by sea. In 1852 Lee became superintendent at West Point and in his three years of service there improved the discipline greatly and lengthened the course of study to five years.

On the formation of a new cavalry regiment in 1855 he was appointed Lt. Col. and saw service in western Texas against the Indians. In July the command of the regiment devolved on him, but three months later he was called home by the death of his father-in-law, Mr. Custis.

Returning to his command he continued with it until the fall of 1859 when he obtained leave to visit his family. During this visit he commanded the troops which suppressed the John Brown raid. He was then called to Richmond to advise the legislature with regard to defense should an invasion again occur.

Returning to Texas he was in charge of his former department until on the secession of that state in 1861 he was recalled to Washington.

Lee was earnestly opposed to disunion, had given his own slaves their freedom, and regarded the institution of slavery as "a moral

and a political evil in any country". His future actions were clearly foreshadowed, however, in a letter to his son which read—

"Still, a union that can only be maintained by swords and bayonets, and in which strife and civil war are to take the place of brotherly love and kindness, has no charm for me. I shall mourn for my country and for the welfare and progress of mankind. If the Union is dissolved and the government disrupted, I shall return to my native state and share the miseries of my people and, save in defense, will draw my sword on none."

While deplored the actions of his people, he believed they had been wronged and his sympathy drew him to them. In the last analysis, he was a States-Rights man; for he "would defend any state if her rights were invaded."

He reached home on March 1, 1861 and on April 18 Frank P. Blair, on behalf of President Lincoln, visited him and offered him the command of the Army of the United States.

Lee wrote later, "I declined the offer he made me to take command of the army that was to be brought into the field, stating, as I could, that, though opposed to secession and deprecating war, I could take no part in an invasion of the southern states."

On April 19 President Lincoln declared a blockade of the southern ports; troops began to pour into Washington; the invasion of the state had, in Lee's opinion, begun, and on April 20 he resigned, three days later taking command in Richmond of the military forces of Virginia with the rank of major general.

On May 25 he became a brigadier in the service of the South, no higher rank having then been created by the Confederate government. The rest then, is history.

In October 1865 following the close of the Civil War, Lee accepted the presidency of Washington College at Lexington, Va. (now Washington and Lee) and was installed in it. He headed the school for five years during which time he inspired many notable improvements.

Failing health in 1870 brought on his death which occurred on October 12 of that year.

NEW TELEVISION
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ment as the "Handicrafts" but in horizontal format, and in sheets of 50.

The National Handicraft Exposition, organized by the "Federation des Artisans" on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of its foundation, will take place from September 3 to 12 in the Exposition Halls at Luxembourg-Limpertsberg. In addition to the 36 handicrafts-associations, the Chamber of Handicraftsmen, the Mutual Assistance Department for Handicraftsmen, the Superannuation-fund of Handicraftsmen, the Government, numerous trade and public institutions, as well as the suppliers of the handicraft will participate in this exhibition.

On July 2, 1954 the Government of Luxembourg granted concession of establishing and operating a television station, "Tele-Luxembourg" in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to the "Compagnie Luxembourgeoise de Radiodiffusion" now called "Compagnie Luxembourg de Telediffusion". The building of the transmitter was started at "Gienzeberg", a plateau of about 425 m altitude, near Dudelange, on August 6, 1954. The studios have been installed in Luxembourg, at the Villa Louvigny.

The first test programs were transmitted on January 23, 1955, and regular broadcasting of four to five hours a day started on May 14. Stamp and cover collectors not resident in Luxembourg can place prepaid orders with the Direction des Postes, Office des Timbres, Luxembourg.

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Isle Of Humanity
Fake Stamps

Ernest A. Kehr in his column "Stamp News" in the New York Herald Tribune August 7th reports that the "Kingdom of Humanity" for which stamps were issued, does not exist.

He reports that the so-called 3,000 persons of assorted races and creeds; the rulers' recent attainment of independence and the nation's application for recognition by the Universal Postal Union and United Nations are all fictitious facts.

Official files revealed that Morton F. Mead, perpetrator of the fake stamps, has been under postal investigation for almost a year for a variety of infractions of the postal laws.

Through cooperation of President Ramon Magsaysay, Director of Posts Filipe Cuaderno and other Philippine officials and Enrique Santos of the "Manila Chronicle" it was revealed that the stickers were printed in Manila by a small Chinese shop.

A number of envelopes franked with the spurious stamps and only "Isle of Amity, Kingdom of Humanity" as a return address had been found in Manila mail boxes.

Because the stamps were not recognized they were consigned to the dead letter office. One letter did get through to President Eisenhower, and the Department of State and U. S. Post Office Department immediately notified the Embassy in Manila to investigate.

The Bureau of Investigation reported that the signatures of the King, Secretary of External Affairs and other "Humanity" officials were all penned by the same hand. The map used to show the location of the "Isle of Humanity" was faked.

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SOUTH AFRICA. On October 21 two stamps will be released to commemorate the City of Pretoria Centenary. The values will be 3 pence and six pence.

GREAT BRITAIN. The 1950 obsolete 4d ultramarine stamp #285 has recently been increased by Gibbons Catalogue and is getting scarce. However this stamp can still be obtained from the post office in coils. Do not pay a premium for single stamps as they may be coils. Blocks of four are assurance of being the regular stamp.

ADEN. The officials in Aden evidently appreciate the income derived from stamps issued in a changed color. This is important in connection with high values and it was recently announced that the two, five and twenty shillings have been ordered in deeper shades.

This appears to be exploitation as collectors will buy these shade varieties. However, the fact remains that the obsolete colors will probably advance in price. All six obsolete colors look good, especially the 70c which is quite scarce. The best buy appears to be the 20 shillings #59 which will soon be replaced.

AUSTRALIA. The Tasmania Sesquicentenary set #263-65 is popular and prices are advancing. There is no question that this set is scarce, but, not as scarce as the food stamps #250-255, which are still available here at a low price. This will eventually be adjusted, probably by an increase of the food set. If you need these get them now in strips of three.

MUSCAT. Three Muscat stamps appear to be sleepers #'s 18, 19 and 20. They are obsolete and priced too low in the catalogues. Substantial advances can be expected in the new catalogues.

MONTSERRAT. Do not overlook the George VI set issued in 1951 which has just been replaced by the Elizabeth series. This is a popular country and there are no big stocks of this set in the hands of dealers.

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